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- (6) Where the institution, training establishment, or employer arranges for issuance of supplies to all students by stores or establishments not institutionally owned and to pay such store or establishment for supplies issued to trainees, reimbursement is allowable provided the charges are no greater than those paid by nonveterans or to the institutions whichever is the lesser.
- (7) Supplies purchased by the institution specifically for trainees will be reimbursed at the net cost to the institution.
- (8) Where the institution does not provide or arrange for issuance of generally required books, tools and supplies for students attending the facility, the institution, in cooperation with VA, may designate certain stores and establishments to provide generally required books, tools and supplies for veterans pursuing a vocational rehabilitation program. The vendor will be reimbursed in the same manner as for supplies provided or arranged for by the institutions.
- (9) Where it is customary in a survey subject to permit each student to obtain the aggregate of books for the subject on a rental basis (commonly referred to as a rental set) and the ownership or permanent possession by the student is not required, reimbursement is authorized for the rental charge provided it does not exceed the charge made to nonveteran students.
- (10) Educational and training institutions furnishing supplies to trainees which are required to be owned personally or on a rental basis by all students pursuing the same or similar course may be compensated for such services in an amount not exceeding 10 percent of the allowable charge for the supplies furnished or rented except:
- (i) Where the tuition covers the charges for supplies or rentals or a stipulated fee is assessed all students, handling charges are not allowable.
- (ii) The handling charge is not allowable for Government-owned books procured by the institution from the Library of Congress.
- (iii) In cases where an item of equipment will exceed \$50 in cost, effort will be made to secure a lower handling charge than for those costing a lesser

amount. The agreed percent for such handling charges will be included in the contract or added as an addendum.

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831.7001-4 Medical services and hospital care.

- (a) VA may pay the customary student health fee when payment of the fee is required for similarly circumstanced nonveterans. If payment of the fee is not required for similarly circumstanced nonveterans payment, payment may be made if it is determined by the Veterans Health Administration that such payment is in the best interest of the veteran and the government.
- (b) Where medical services or hospital care not covered by the customary students health fee are available in the school operated facilities or arrangements have been made by the institution with doctors and hospitals in the immediate area, reimbursement by the Veterans Benefits Administration for such services may be made in a contract for such services provided that the Director, VA Medical Center, determines:
- (1) That such arrangements are necessary to provide timely medical care for veterans attending the facility under provisions of Chapter 31; and
- (2) The general rates established for such services do not exceed the rates established by the Under Secretary for Health.
- (c) VA may reimburse a rehabilitation facility for incidental medical services provided during a veteran's program at the facility.

[49 FR 12615, Mar. 29, 1984, as amended at 54 FR 40064, Sept. 29, 1989; 63 FR 69221, Dec. 16, 1998]

831.7001-5 Secretary's Decision No. 557.

- (a) Fees and expenses authorized under Secretary's Decision No. 557 may be authorized for payment when the educational institution or training establishment makes such payments on behalf of the veteran.
- (b) Payment for fees and expenses not made by the educational institution or training establishment will be made in

accordance with the applicable provisions of parts 812, 813 or 815 of this chapter and FAR parts 12, 13, or 15.

[49 FR 12615, Mar. 29, 1984, as amended at 63 FR 69221, Dec. 16, 1998]

831.7001-6 Consumable instructional supplies.

- (a) Reimbursement for consumable instructional supplies which institutions require for the instruction of all students, veteran or nonveteran pursuing the same or comparable course or courses will be made when:
- (1) The supplies are entirely consumed in the fabrication of a required project.
- (2) The supplies are not consumed but are of such a nature that they cannot be salvaged from the end product for reuse for further instructions by disassembling or dismantling the end product.
- (b) Reimbursement for consumable instructional supplies is not allowable when:
- (1) The supplies can be salvaged for reuse.
- (2) The supplies used in a project which has been elected by the student as an alternate class project in order to produce an end product of greater value than that which is normally required to learn the skills of the occupation and which will become his property upon completion.
- (3) The supplies used in a project which has been selected by the institution to provide the student with a more elaborate end product than is required to provide adequate instruction as an inducement to the veteran to elect a particular course of study.
- (4) The salable value of the end product is equal to or greater than the cost of the supplies used in its fabrication or assembly and a reasonable use has not been made of such supplies so that they are not readily salvaged from the end product to be reused for instructional purposes.
- (5) The end product is of permanent value and retained by the institution.
- (6) A third party provides the articles or equipment for repair or improvement and for which he or she would otherwise pay a commercial price.
- (7) The number of projects resulting in end products in excess of the num-

bers normally required to teach the recognized job operations and processes of the occupation stipulated in the approved course of study.

(8) The cost of supplies are included in the charge for tuition or as a fee designated for such purpose.

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831.7001-7 Reimbursement for other supplies and services.

Reimbursement shall be made for other services and assistance which may be authorized under provisions of applicable Chapter 31 regulations including but not limited to employment and self-employment, initial and extended evaluation, and independent living services.

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Subpart 832.1—Non-Commercial Item Purchase Financing

832.111 Contract clauses for non-commercial purchases.

(a) In solicitations and contracts for construction that include the FAR clause at 52.232-5, Payments Under